AN ACT relating to temporary elevator mechanic licensure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

- → Section 1. KRS 198B.4021 is amended to read as follows:
- (1) An[elevator contractor shall notify the department when the contractor has no licensed personnel available to perform elevator work. The] elevator contractor may request that the department issue temporary elevator mechanic licenses to persons confirmed by an affidavit from the licensed elevator contractor attesting that the applicant has not less than twenty-four (24) months of work experience in the elevator industry, in construction, maintenance, service, repair, or any combination of these activities, and has completed not less than two (2) years of education in:
 - (a) An apprenticeship program for elevator mechanics that has standards substantially equal to those in KRS 198B.400 to 198B.540; or
 - (b) A nationally recognized training program for the elevator industry such as

 the National Elevator Industry Educational Program, a program provided

 by the National Association of Elevator Contractors, or an equivalent

 program approved by the commissioner upon recommendation of the

 Elevator Advisory Committee [to have a combination of documented experience and education to perform elevator work without direct and immediate supervision].
- (2) <u>A temporary elevator mechanic license shall allow the temporary licensee to perform the tasks of an elevator mechanic listed in KRS 198B.4003(1) under the general supervision of an elevator contractor [Any person confirmed by an elevator contractor to have a combination of documented experience and education to perform elevator work without direct and immediate supervision shall immediately seek a temporary elevator mechanic license from the department].</u>
- (3) \underline{A} [Each] temporary license shall be valid for a period of one (1) year and <u>remain in</u>

- <u>program</u>[only while the licensee is employed by the licensed elevator contractor that confirmed the individual as qualified].
- (4) A temporary elevator mechanic license shall be renewable for not more than one

 (1) additional term of one (1) year. An individual shall not hold a temporary

 elevator mechanic license for a period exceeding two (2) years [The temporary license shall be renewable for additional terms of one (1) year each until there is no shortage of ordinary license holders].
- (5) If the holder of a temporary elevator mechanic license changes employment during the effective term of the license, the temporary license shall expire.
- (6) The department may establish by administrative regulation a fee for the processing of a temporary elevator mechanic license, not to exceed the actual cost of issuing the license.
- (7) Fees payable to the department under this section shall be paid into the State

 Treasury and credited to the elevator safety program trust fund established by

 KRS 198B.4037.